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In Reply, Please Refer to

File No. Bufile 100-443802
Director NYfile 100-154525
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

Re: Lawrence Paul Neal

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
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4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☒ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
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 - (b) ☒ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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Director

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U. S. Secret Service , NYC (RM)

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Enclosure(s)

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Copy to: 1-Secret Service, NYC (RM)

Report of: [REDACTED]

Office: New York, New York

Date: OCT 21 1968

Field Office File #: 100-154525

Bureau File #: 100-443802

Title:

LAWRENCE PAUL NEAL

Character:

RACIAL MATTER - REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT

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Synopsis:

Subject resides in Apt. 6D, 690 Riverside Drive, NYC, and is self-employed as a writer. As of February, 1968, was a possible RAM member or associate in NYC. He attended a fund raising rally April, 1968, for RAM

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] He refused to be interviewed by FBI on 1/11/68 and 7/19/68.

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DETAILS:I. RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

By means of a pretext by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on October 7, 1968, it was ascertained that subject resides in Apartment 6D at 690 Riverside Drive, New York City, and is self-employed from his residence as a writer.

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On February 15, 1968, [] advised that subject was then out of New York City and would be for several weeks. He was on a fund raising speaking tour.

II. CONNECTION WITH THE REVOLUTIONARY
ACTION MOVEMENT (RAM) AND THE BLACK
PANTHER PARTY, NEW YORK (BPPNY)

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Characterization of RAM and BPPNY
which is now defunct, are in the
Appendix.

Subject has long been involved in RAM activities. He has had, and may still be having some meetings at his residence. He has been active in raising funds for seventeen alleged RAM members who were arrested by the New York City Police Department in June, 1967.

~~100-154525~~ [] August 15, 1967

LARRY NEAL was considered a member of the organizing group of RAM and BPPNY and a close associate of [] (see RAM characterization), however he has broken his friendship with []

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[]
September 29, 1967

On February 28, 1968, [] advised that among the possible RAM members or associates in New York City was LARRY NEAL. Informant noted that there is no known headquarters or meeting place for RAM in the New York City area.

LARRY NEAL had been in the BPPNY but had to get out because of the atmosphere of fear and suspicion this organization had created had almost caused NEAL to lose his mind.

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September 2, 1967

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Subject attended a fund raising rally at the Renaissance Ballroom, New York City, on March 17, 1968. The purpose of this rally was to obtain money for the defense of [redacted] who had been arrested in New York City. It was sponsored by a group called "Black Women Enraged".

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April 7, 1968

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III. MISCELLANEOUS

Subject was present at the Federal Court House, Foley Square, New York City on August 22, 1967, during a hearing for the then [redacted] of the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) [redacted] who had [redacted]

[redacted]
August 31, 1967

[redacted]
September 6, 1967

A characterization of SNCC
is in the Appendix.

On October 16, 1967, [redacted] furnished a leaflet put out by the National Mobilization Committee to End The War In Vietnam concerning the forthcoming march on Washington D.C. planned for October 21, 22, 1967.

In this leaflet was an article entitled "Message To Black People" which reflected that Black people disagree with the Committee's concentrated emphasis on the Pentagon and therefore all Black people were urged in the interest of Black American unity to gather at the Lincoln Memorial and then go to the Black community in Washington D.C. to discuss the issue of Vietnam. Speakers were listed among whom was LARRY NEAL.

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On December 1, 1967, [redacted] and [redacted] furnished a throwaway announcing that the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) was sponsoring a seminar on "The Future of the Black Man" on December 2, 1967, at the National Skills Center, 415 West 127th Street, New York City. Listed among the features was LARRY NEAL, Poet-Writer.

[redacted]

[redacted]
December 11, 1967

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December 12, 1967

[redacted]

[redacted]
December 4, 1967

Subject was one of those present at John F. Kennedy International Airport, New York City, on December 11, 1967, to greet STOKELY CARMICHAEL who was then returning from a trip abroad. CARMICHAEL was the former National Chairman of SNCC.

[redacted]
December 14, 1967

On January 21, 1968, there was a gathering called a "black get-together" of unknown sponsorship at the Renaissance Ballroom, 138th Street, New York City. There were about 1200 persons present for dancing and entertainment. Among the entertainment was a recital of a poem by subject entitled "Black Power". This was an emotional type of poem with a lot of screaming and which called for negroes to love each other, stay together, to fight together and for killing "the man".

[redacted]
January 23, 1968

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January 24, 1968

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January 23, 1968

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On January 23, 1968, [] advised that the above affair was a fund raising affair []

On February 1, 1968, [] corroborated the above information.

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January 29, 1968

A characterization of MLF
appears in the Appendix.

Subject was present on May 20, 1968, at the Fillmore East Theatre, Second Avenue and 6th Street, New York City, at a benefit for [] and other members of the Black Panther Party (BPP). SNCC appeared to sponsor this affair.

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May 21, 1968

A characterization of BPP is
in the Appendix.

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IV. INTERVIEW OF SUBJECT

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On January 11, 1968, subject was telephonically contacted by Special Agent [redacted] in an attempt to arrange an interview. Subject stated he would not make an appointment for an interview. He stated he was extremely emotional and therefore would not allow any interviews which might upset him.

He advised he recently read a statement by FBI Director HOOVER which stated that the Black Power concept was aiding Communism. He said that this was not true because American Negroes are not Communists and would never cooperate with the Communists because the Communists are racists and would only use the American Negro for their own benefit. He stated that if a white man should come to his door he would refuse to let him in his apartment.

On July 19, 1968, subject was telephonically contacted by Special Agent [redacted] in an attempt to arrange an interview. He stated he would not agree to an interview.

APPENDIX

BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP)
Also Known as
Black Panther Party for Self-Defense (BPPSD)

A source advised that the Black Panther Party for Self Defense (BPPSD) was formed by HUEY PERCY NEWTON, Minister of Defense, [REDACTED] in December, 1966, as a militant black nationalist political organization to combat "police brutality", to unite militant black youth, and to determine the destiny of black communities. The political philosophy was taken from writings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung of Communist China and black militant writers.

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In March, 1968, the name of the organization was changed to Black Panther Party (BPP).

The official BPP publication, "The Black Panther Party - Black Community News Service", stated that the BPP advocates use of guns and guerrilla tactics in their violent revolutionary program to end oppression of black people.

On February 17, 1968, ELDRIDGE CLEAVER, Minister of Information, announced merger of the BPP and Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) and bestowed title of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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SNCC is a militant Negro organization which preaches black supremacy.

NEWTON, aforementioned, is incarcerated in the Alameda County Jail, Oakland, California, awaiting trial on charge of murder of an Oakland police officer.

Headquarters of BPP and HUEY P. NEWTON Defense Fund are located at 4421 Grove Street, Oakland, California.

APPENDIX

1.

MILITANT LABOR FORUM

A source advised on May 20, 1968, that public forums are regularly sponsored by the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) - New York Local (NYL) on Friday evenings, and are held at SWP Headquarters, 873 Broadway, New York, New York. These are called Militant Labor Forums.

A characterization of the SWP-NYL is set out separately.

APPENDIX

1.

SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY -
NEW YORK LOCAL

A source advised on August 25, 1960, that the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) - New York Local (NYL) was founded in New York City.

A second source advised on May 20, 1968, that the SWP-NYL was affiliated with and followed the aims of the National SWP.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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1.

REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT

On November 3, 1964, a source made available a document entitled, "The Revolutionary Action Movement Manifesto", the document having been obtained by the source [REDACTED] b7D

This document stated, in part, that RAM was officially organized in the Winter of 1963 by Afro-Americans who support the revolutionary objectives of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and his concept of organized violence to achieve the liberation of the Afro-American people in the United States. This Manifesto disclosed that RAM had oriented its program to one of education and political revolution and the organization of a "black" political party with revolutionary objectives, having recognized the need for a "black revolution" that could and would seize power. RAM philosophy is described in this document as one of revolutionary nationalism; that is, one involving the struggles of the non-white races of the world against the exploitation and enslavement by the white capitalist and imperialist nations.

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This source, in September, 1964, advised RAM is dedicated to the overthrow of the capitalist system in the United States by violence, if necessary, and to its replacement by a socialistic system oriented toward the Chinese Communist interpretation of Marxism-Leninism. RAM is entirely non-white in membership, clandestine in nature, and owes its primary allegiance to the "Bandung World"; that is, the non-white races of the world rather than to any national entity, as such.

On November 16, 1964, a second source advised he learned recently from a RAM member that the organization began

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2.

REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT (CONTINUED)

in Detroit, Michigan, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

On May 12, 1967, a third source advised that the RAM still remains active; however, there is no formal headquarters, as such, for the RAM. The source advised that [REDACTED] of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, is [REDACTED] of RAM and if a RAM headquarters ever existed, it would most likely be where [REDACTED]

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APPENDIX1.STUDENT NONVIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Literature distributed by the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), headquartered at 360-362 Nelson Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia, describes itself as not being a membership organization, but rather an agency attempting to stimulate and foster the growth of local protest movements. SNCC was born out of the sit-in movement which erupted across the South beginning on February 1, 1960. A conference at Raleigh, North Carolina, that Spring, brought together many of the demonstrating Southern students in a loose network of militant youth which was officially named SNCC in October, 1960.

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A source has advised that in May, 1966, STOKELY CARMICHAEL was elected National Chairman by the Central Committee. In May, 1967, CARMICHAEL was [redacted] with CARMICHAEL assuming the position of Recruiter and Organizer for the SNCC. In August, 1967, at the invitation of FIDEL CASTRO, CARMICHAEL participated in the Organization of Latin American Solidarity Conference which was held in Havana, Cuba. Subsequent thereto, CARMICHAEL traveled to Hanoi and other sections of North Vietnam. He returned to the United States in December, 1967, at which time his passport was picked up because of travel to unauthorized countries.

A source advised that when CARMICHAEL was elected Chairman of SNCC, the organization embarked on a program of eliminating Caucasians from its ranks. With the election of [redacted] in 1967, it embarked on a worldwide struggle for human rights and to take a firm stand against violations of these rights by the American Government and to strengthen its programs of opposition to the draft and to the United States involvement in Vietnam.

Literature distributed in February, 1968, identifies SNCC as an organization in the revolutionary vanguard. It advocates that to be successful it is necessary to develop a revolutionary ideology and revolutionary program.

On August 13, 1967, while addressing a group in the Watts area of Los Angeles, California, [redacted] said "You better shape up America, or we'll burn you down." Later in February, 1968, in a publicized note [redacted] wrote, "America, if it takes my death to organize my people to revolt against you and to organize your jails to revolt against you and to organize your children, your God, your poor, your country, and to organize mankind to rejoice in your destruction and ruin, then here's my life



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Title Lawrence Paul Neal

Character Racial Matter - Revolutionary
 Action Movement

Reference is made to New York report of
Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile- 100-443802)

DATE: 10/8/68

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-154525)

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SUBJECT: LAWRENCE PAUL NEAL
RM - BNT
(OO: NEW YORK)

Re: _____

☐ It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above-captioned individual.

☒ The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows (specify change only):

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HANDLED SEPARATELY

Name			
Aliases		☐ Native Born ☐ Naturalized ☐ Alien	☐ Tab Detcom ☐ Delete Detcom
☐ Communist	☐ SWP	☐ JFG	☐ SPL
☐ WWP	☐ SDS	☐ PLP	☐ ANA
☐ NOI	☐ RAM	☐ SNC	☐ Miscellaneous (specify) _____
Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Race	Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female
Business Address, Name of Employing Concern and Address, Nature of Employment, and Union Affiliation, if any.		Residence Address Add: Apartment 6-D	
Key Facility Data			
Geographical Reference Number		Responsibility 100-443802 b6	

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1-New York

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As of October, 1967, subject was employed as a free lance writer, but he also was an associate editor of ONYX magazine, 629 Riverside Drive, New York City, and taught courses in script and screen writing for the Negro Ensemble. St. Marks Avenue, New York City.

[redacted]
October 9, 1967

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The only issue of ONYX available is undated but was issued in July, 1967. An editorial reflected: "ONYX will be a monthly magazine both national and international in scope....will be a reflection of black thought. We will attempt to deal with the question of 'Who Am I?' in terms of being a black man in America. Our main goal is to help promote unity among the black people in America...."

This magazine contained a three page article by LAWRENCE P. NEAL which was a book review of "Four Lives in Bebop Business".

Subject was employed as a writer for "Liberator" magazine but had been fired for not being a loyal employee.

[redacted]
September 29, 1967

"Liberator" is self-described as the voice of the Afro-American Protest Movement in the United States and the Liberation movement of Africa.

American Documentary Films, Incorporated, is now operating out of New York at 144 Bleecker Street, New York City. This company shows a lot of anti-war films and revolutionary films. It is [redacted]
[redacted] "Revolution In Black America" written by LARRY NEAL.

[redacted]
December 6, 1967

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONNew York, New York
October 8, 1968

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SUBJECT:

LAWRENCE PAUL NEAL

REFERENCE:

Memorandum dated 1/12/68.

Referenced communication contained subject's residence and/or employment address. A recent change has been determined and is being set forth below (change only specified):

Residence: Add: Apartment 6-D

Employment:

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Memorandum

Director, FBI (Bufile- 100-443802) DATE: 1-12-68

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-154525)

SUBJECT: LAWRENCE PAUL NEAL
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(OO: NEW YORK)

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Aliases				
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☐ Communist ☐ Socialist Workers Party ☐ Miscellaneous (specify) _____				
☐ Tab for Detcom	Date of birth	Place of birth	Race	Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female
Business Address (show name of employing concern and address)				
Writer, from residence				
Key Facility Data				
Geographical Reference Number _____ Responsibility _____				
Interested Agencies _____				
Residence Address				
690 Riverside Drive New York, New York				

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE NEW YORK	OFFICE OF ORIGIN NEW YORK	DATE 10/20/71	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 4/30 - 10/14/71
TITLE OF CASE LAWRENCE PAUL NEAL		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY SS
		CHARACTER OF CASE EM - RAM	

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 10/21/68, at New York.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

FD-376 attached.

The pretext on 10/14/71, was made by SA [REDACTED] to subject's residence, [REDACTED]

The representative of the FBI who checked the records of BCI, NYCPD, on 7/23/71, was SA [REDACTED]

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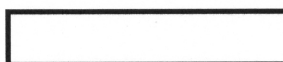
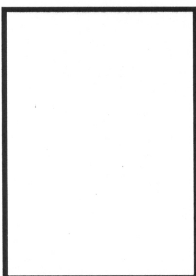
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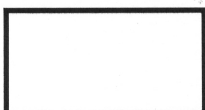
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The following informants were contacted with negative results during August, 1971:



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LEADS:

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. 1. Will await results of CCNY check.

2. Will await instruction from the Bureau regarding submission of FD-122 concerning subject's ~~change in residence.~~

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1. ☒ Subject's name is included in the ☒ Security Index ☐ Reserve Index.
2. ☐ The data appearing on the Security Index Card are current.
3. ☐ The data appearing on the Reserve Index Card ☐ A ☐ B ☐ are current ☐ have been changed.
4. ☐ Changes on the Security Index Card are necessary and Form FD-122 submitted to the Bureau.
5. ☒ A suitable photograph ☒ is ☐ is not available.
Date photograph was taken 1965
6. ☐ Subject is employed in a key facility and _____ is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are _____
7. ☒ This report is classified ~~"Confidential"~~ because
(state reason) it contains information from [redacted] and [redacted] the unauthorized disclosure of which could jeopardize the identities of these sources and could be detrimental to the internal security of the US.
8. ☒ Subject previously interviewed (dates) 1/11/68 and 7/19/68
☒ Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason)
he refused to cooperate on the above dates.
9. ☐ This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation.
10. ☒ This case has been reevaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason)
he was associated with RAM in 1967 and attended the CAP, September, 1970.
11. ☒ Subject's SI card is tabbed ☐ Priority I ☒ Priority II ☐ Priority III.
☒ Subject's activities warrant such tabbing because (state reasons)
of reasons set forth under item Number 10.
12. ☒ Security Flash Notice (FD-165) to Identification Division:
☒ Submitted 9/24/65 (date) Placed ☐ Yes ☒ No
13. ☐ Subject is Extremist in Priority I of SI and Stop Notice has been placed with NCIC.

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United States Secret Service

Department of the Treasury

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3. ☒ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
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 John Edgar Hoover
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Date:[REDACTED]
10/20/71

Office: New York, New York

Field Office File #:

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Bureau File #:

100-443802

Title:

LAWRENCE PAUL NEAL

Character:

EXTREMIST MATTERS - REVOLUTIONARY ACTION MOVEMENT

Synopsis:

Subject resides at 12 Jumel Terrace, NYC, and is a writer from his residence. Subject attended Congress of African Peoples held Atlanta, Georgia, from 9/3-7/70.

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DETAILS:I. BACKGROUNDA. Residence and Employment

Subject's new book, "Black Fire," was co-authored by LE ROI JONES, a well-known Negro poet and playwright. Subject also teaches one class in English on Tuesday and Thursday at the College of the City of New York, New York City (NYC).

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Subject was contacted on July 1, 1970, in connection with another investigation and advised that he had been teaching at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, during the past year and temporarily resided there.

Subject resided at 690 Riverside Drive, NYC, Apartment 6-D, as of July 23, 1971, and was a writer from his residence.

[REDACTED]
690 Riverside Drive, NYC
July 23, 1971

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Subject moved from 690 Riverside Drive, NYC, to 12 Jumel Terrace, NYC.

[REDACTED]
October 2, 1971

By means of a suitable pretext it was determined that subject resided at 12 Jumel Terrace, NYC, as of October 14, 1971, and is a writer from his residence.

Special Agent, Federal Bureau
of Investigation (FBI)
October 14, 1971

B. Marital Status

Subject advised on July 1, 1970, that he and [REDACTED] do not have a "solid marriage" even though they reside together.

C. Arrest Record

The records of the Bureau of Criminal Identification, New York City Police Department (NYCPD), caused to be checked on July 23, 1971, by a representative of the FBI, contained no record for the subject.

II. ACTIVITIES

A. Congress of African Peoples (CAP)

The CAP, headquartered in Boston, Massachusetts, was founded as a black separatist organization in Atlanta, Georgia, in

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September, 1970, at the fourth annual gathering of advocates of black power in the United States. CAP's basic goal is the global expression of black nationalism through the promotion of Pan-Africanism. CAP seeks the creation of a political force capable of seizing power from the existing political force through massive programs of disruption, violence, if necessary, and the establishment of independent black institutions.

The records of the Security and Investigation Section, Intelligence Division, NYCPD, caused to be checked on July 27, 1971, by a representative of the FBI, reflected that the subject attended the First Congress of African Peoples, held at Atlanta, Georgia, from September 3-7, 1970.

Subject attended the CAP held in Atlanta, Georgia, from September 3-7, 1970.

[REDACTED]
September 21, 1970

Subject attended the second day session of the CAP on September 4, 1970, at Atlanta, Georgia.

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[REDACTED]
September 15, 1970

III. MISCELLANEOUS

Other confidential sources, who are familiar with extremist activities in the NYC area, advised during August, 1971, they had no current information to furnish regarding the subject.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York
October 20, 1971

**In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.**

Bufile 100-443802
NYfile 100-154525

Title Lawrence Paul Neal

Character Extremist Matters-Revolutionary Action
 Movement

Reference is made to New York report of Special Agent [redacted], dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Mr. W. C. Sullivan

April 29, 1969

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BOOK REVIEW

"BLACK FIRE"

**AN ANTHOLOGY OF AFRO-AMERICAN WRITING
EDITED BY LEROI JONES AND LARRY NEAL**

This memorandum presents a review of captioned book, published in 1968 by William Morrow and Company, Inc., which is being placed in the Bureau Library.

SYNOPSIS:

This book presents the militant black man's view of the world and of himself in an anthology of essays, poems, short stories and plays, many of which are replete with filth, vulgarity and obscenity. It obviously was written for the benefit of and was directed to the black man and was not written for the minds of white critics. The editors, Jones and Neal, are contemporary black nationalist spokesmen.

[redacted] while Neal is included on the Security Index.

ACTION:

For information.

- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan

- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - [redacted]

SEE DETAILS PAGE TWO

- 1 - [redacted]

- 1 - 100-443802 (Larry Neal)
- 1 - 62-46855 (Book Review File)

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
Re: BOOK REVIEW
"BLACK FIRE"
AN ANTHOLOGY OF AFRO-AMERICAN WRITING
EDITED BY MERCI JONES AND LARRY NEAL

A typical example is the poem "Prayer to the White Man's God" (page 191):

"I've been prayin' for centuries
To some God up in the sky.
Lord, what's the delay?
Help me live today.
God said, Go 'way, boy
I don't want to hear you cry,
But I know Jesus heard me
Cause he spit right in my eye."

One of the writers states that too often Negro art has merely provided "exotic entertainment for white America"; now it must address the needs of black people. "We must make literature move people to a deeper understanding of what this thing is all about, be a kind of priest, a black magician, working juju with the word on the world."

A few of the assembled works tend to have an energy that succeeds in impressing one with the violence and passion of the author's emotions but the expression never achieves the precision and control which are the hallmarks of successful art.

MENTION OF THE FBI

The FBI (page 103) and J. Edgar Hoover (page 294) are both mentioned in a passing nonderogatory manner. The FBI is mentioned in an essay and J. Edgar Hoover is mentioned in a poem.

DIRECTOR, FBI (62-46855)
Attention: Research-Satellite
Section, Domestic Intelligence Division
SAC, NEW YORK (100-87235)

12/12/68

Purchase of Books,
Book Reviews

ReBullets, dated 5/10/68, and 11/22/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 1 copy each of "The Anatomy of a Riot" by Judge JAMES H. LINCOLN. "Rebellion or Revolution" by HAROLD CRUZE and Black Fire: an Anthology of Afro-American Writing" by LEROI JONES and LARRY NEAL."

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-443802)

FROM : *JMP* SAC, NEW YORK (100-154525) (C)

SUBJECT: LAWRENCE PAUL NEAL
ET-RAA

DATE: 1/11/72

Re: NYrep, dated 10/20/71.

On 10/21/71, [redacted] City College of New York, advised SA [redacted] that subject was a lecturer in the pre-baccalaureate program at the college for one semester during the 1967-68 academic year. His social security number is [redacted] and he resided at 690 Riverside Drive, NYC, apartment 6D, at that time. b2 b6 b7C

An FD-122 has been submitted to the Bureau placing subject in Category three of the Adex. Since no additional investigation is warranted at this time this case is being closed.

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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (Bufile- 100-443802)

DATE: 1/11/72

FROM : *[Signature]* NEW YORK (100-154525)SUBJECT: LAWRENCE PAUL NEAL
EM - RAM
(OO: NEW YORK)Cards UTD
Cards Sent OO
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*[Signature]*OK for ADET
category III
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Re: _____

Recommend: ☒ ADEX Card ☐ ADEX Card changed (specify change only) ☐ Subject removed (succinct summary attached)

Name <i>for land work = URM in New York</i>			
Aliases		☐ Native Born ☐ Naturalized ☐ Alien <i>cards for</i>	Tab ☐ Category I ☐ Category II ☒ Category III ☐ Category IV
☐ AWC ☐ BNT ☐ BPP	☐ COMMUNIST ☐ JFG ☐ MIN	☐ NL ☐ NOI ☐ Miscellaneous (Specify) _____	☐ PLP ☐ PPA ☐ PRN ☐ SDS ☐ SNC ☐ SPL ☐ SWP ☐ WWP
Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Race	Sex ☐ Male ☐ Female
Business Address, Name of Employing Concern and Address, Nature of Employment, and Union Affiliation, if any.		Residence Address 12 Jumel Terrace, N.Y., N.Y.	
Key Facility Data			
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1-New YorkRBH/cmc
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On 10/31/66, [] advised that subject was Vice Chairman of the BPP, NYC.

[] advised that subject was a member of RAM as of 7/8/67.

On 9/21/70, [] advised that subject attended the Congress of African Peoples held in Atlanta, Georgia from 9/3-7/70.

Since the subject is still a confirmed militant black nationalist and since his employment as a free lance writer could be useful to the extremist cause in the event of a revolution he is being placed in CATEGORY III of the ADEX.

Date of next report will be 10/20/72.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

January 11, 1972

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Bufile 100-443802

NYfile 100-154525

SUBJECT: LAWRENCE PAUL NEAL

CHARACTER: EM - RAM

REFERENCE: Memorandum dated 10/20/71.

Referenced communication contained subject's residence and/or employment address. A recent change has been determined and is being set forth below (change only specified):

Residence: 12 Jumel Terrace
New York, New York

Employment:

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Date

OCT 12 1972

To: X Director

ATTN: DOMESTIC
INTELLIGENCE
DIVISION

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LAURENCE PAUL REAL

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Agent

NYfile 100-154525

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RE: Bureau Memorandum 21-72,
dated 9/12/72

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Clerk

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ACTION DESIRED

☐ Acknowledge☐ Open Case☐ Assign Reassign☐ Prepare lead cards☐ Bring file☐ Prepare tickler☐ Call me☐ Return assignment card☐ Correct☐ Return file☐ Deadline☐ Search and return☐ Deadline passed☐ See me☐ Delinquent☐ Serial #☐ Discontinue☐ Post ☐ Recharge ☐ Return☐ Expedite☐ Send to☐ File☐ Submit new charge out☐ For information☐ Submit report by☐ Handle☐ Type☐ Initial & return☐ Leads need attention☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

FILE HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND SUBJECT DOES NOT
MEET CRITERIA FOR INCLUSION ON ADEX AS SET
FORTH IN REFERENCED BUREAU MEMORANDUM.

SAC JOHN F. MALONE

See reverse side

Office NEW YORK

GPO : 1971 421-419

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Subject, a writer, was last known to be involved in extremist activity in 1970 when he attended a CAP meeting in Atlanta, Ga. He no longer constitutes a danger to the national security within the limitations of SAC Memorandum 21-72.

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